

Please review the Key Themes, the Focusing Questions, and Leader’s Intent/Assumptions as you prepare your submission.

**Proposal Deadline:** If you have a summary available or are willing to produce one, please let us know by **Monday, November 5**.

**Submission Deadline:** We seek first drafts by Nov. 12, but will be happy to review earlier drafts, and offer support with brainstorming, data-gathering, analysis or editing, anytime during the process.

We are also seeking writers/editors/Story Map producers to write specific sections of the Story Map/Season Summary.

We also invite you to consider joining us from November 12-14, either in person in Portland, OR, or in a virtual newsroom where we’ll edit and produce the review drafts.

Thanks for your assistance and insights.

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These themes and focusing questions may be helpful in writing your summary, as they are the themes the overarching regional products are addressing.

## Key Themes

- SMOKE: Fire, smoke and public/firefighter impacts.
- ENGAGEMENT: Community engagement in forest, fuels and fire management.
- FUELS: Fuel-treatment effectiveness. Cost-effectiveness of integrated fire management. Role of smoke in wildfire, restoration and maintenance phases.
- RESPONSE: Interagency cohesion, interagency mobilization, fatigue.
- AVIATION: Effective, safe application of aviation resources to resource and management objectives.
- RISK: Risks, costs, challenges and successes of
  - Initial attack suppression;
  - Extended-attack, long-term fire suppression incidents; and
  - Multiple-objective, long-term fire incidents.
- CLIMATE: Longer fire seasons and climate/health/safety concerns

## Focusing Questions

- SMOKE: How does smoke affect public and firefighter health? How do we monitor this? And how do we engage the public, stakeholders and practitioners to support an integrated fire management approach to smoke management?
- ENGAGEMENT: Where do our efforts succeed in proactively engaging community in engagement in forest, fuels and fire management? What barriers have we overcome in specific projects, processes, or communities (success stories to share)? What barriers should we focus on next (challenges to face)? And is there a route we followed this season that may set a pattern?
- FUELS: As we move from wildfire to restoration to maintenance phases, what barriers are we overcoming? And how, where? And what new or more challenging barriers should we focus on next?
- RESPONSE: Interagency cohesion – what barriers to interagency partnerships have been overcome, and by what processes? How does interagency response approach fatigue? What can we learn from multi-season pattern of longer fire seasons and increased IMT and firefighter responses?
- AVIATION: What mechanisms support strategic air operations beyond the incident level? Is there evidence (or should there be evidence) on how safe application of aviation resources supports resource and management objectives. Changes in process? The evolving role of UAS?
- RISK: How do we – as managers and leaders – engage the community with the decision and implementation of initial attack suppression, vs extended-attack, long-term suppression fire events, vs. multiple-objective, long-term fire events?
- CLIMATE: Are longer fire seasons and the associated management and human challenges a reflection of climate change, and do our responses reflect this? More specifically, how are we adapting our policies and practices to face the impacts to landscape, health and safety that these changes are bringing.